GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

A & C Deptt. – Horticulture – Proposal to provide life saving irrigation through Raingun Technology in the ensuing khariff season in drought prone districts – Orders – Issued.

AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (HORTI.) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 86 Dated: 06-02-2016
Read :-

From the Commissioner of Horticulture, AP, Hyderabad Lr.No. APMIP/ 697/2015 dt.18.12.2015 of

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O R D E R :

In the reference read above, the Commissioner of Horticulture, AP, Hyderabad has stated that the Hon'ble Chief Minister during the review meeting held on 6th October,2015, 17th October, 2015, and 3rd November 2015 has instructed to make use of Raingun technology to provide life saving irrigation to standing crops, i.e. pulses, groundnut, chillies in view of prevailing severe drought condition in the state to save the standing crops and to protect farmers from distress. Accordingly, the Commissioner of Horticulture, A.P., Hyderabad has furnished the proposals.

2. Government after careful examination the proposal of the commissioner of Horticulture hereby accord permission for the following subject to condition that the expenditure shall be met from the budgetary provision of the current financial year 2015-16:

i) Rain guns may be provided on 50% subsidy to the farmers willing to transport water through tankers for life saving irrigation (without water source) in relaxation of existing guidelines to mitigate the impact of drought. As per the existing guidelines, only farmers with water source and electricity connection are considered for sanction of micro irrigation.
ii) Relaxation is given to provide rain guns on 50% subsidy to the farmers who have already availed subsidy to the maximum limit of 1.0 lakh to cover additional area.
iii) 1500 Rain gun systems to be procured by inviting Open tenders, which would be placed with District Collectors concerned as per the demand as stated below :

The total capital cost of 1500 raingun systems will be borne by the Government exclusively from state budget provided for implementation of PMKSY and the systems will be placed at the disposal of District Collectors concerned. The District Collectors will design appropriate institutional mechanism by identifying suitable service provider for utilization and monitoring of rainguns for providing services to the farmers in need of life saving irrigation on payment of user charges to be decided by the District Collector. The user charges collected will be utilized for Operation and Maintenance (O & M) of raingun. The service provider could be a reputed Non-Governmental Organization (NGO)/farmers organization/SHGs/PACS based on their ability to utilize and manage the systems on a sustainable basis.

3. The Commissioner of Horticulture, A.P., Hyderabad is also directed to include the required amount in the next year budget as per need.

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4. The Commissioner of Horticulture, A.P., Hyderabad is requested to take necessary action accordingly.

5. This orders issues with the concurrence of Finance (FMU-A&C, AHDDF and CS) Department vide their U.O.No.38040/271/A1/fMU-AHDDF/15, dt.13.1.2016.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

CHIRANJIV CHOUDHARY,
EX-OFFICIO SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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